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City of Charleston Hurricane Dorian Recovery Efforts Continue

Charleston, S.C.—Hurricane Dorian recovery efforts continue as crews work to clear debris, remove fallen trees from the public right of way, and restore traffic signals citywide.

Of the more than 100 emergency road closures reported at the height of the storm, 16 remain closed as of 7 p.m. tonight.

At this time, only 11 intersections are without power and are ready to be reset as soon as power is restored.

At the request of Mayor John Tecklenburg, Columbia Mayor Steve Benjamin dispatched Traffic and Transportation crews from the city of Columbia to assist our city of Charleston crews with additional signal recovery efforts this weekend.

City offices and Municipal Courts will resume normal operations on Monday, September 9, as will recreation facilities. However, due to downed trees and debris, the Charleston Municipal Golf Course will remain closed until further notice.

With city crews currently focused on storm recovery, residential garbage and trash collection will remain suspended through the weekend and is set to resume on Monday. Commercial garbage collection is projected to take place on Saturday.

When placing debris at the curb for collection, citizens should sort based on the following (C.H.E.A.T.) categories:

- C** – Construction debris (building materials, drywall, lumber, carpet, furniture, etc.)
- H** – Hazardous waste (oils, batteries, pesticides, paints, cleaning supplies, etc.)
- E** – Electronics (televisions, computers, radios, stereos, DVD players/VCRs, etc.)
- A** – Appliances (Refrigerators, washers/dryers, freezers, air conditioners, stoves, etc.)
- T** – Trees and vegetation (tree branches, leaves and logs)

In order to allow crews to effectively clear streets of debris, city parking garages that were opened for the storm will remain open and free to residents until 1 p.m. on Sunday, September 8.

Tomorrow's Charleston Farmers Market remains cancelled. The West Ashley Farmers Market is expected to take place as scheduled on Wednesday, September 11.

The City Gallery will resume normal operations this weekend, and the Cannon Street Arts Center will reopen tomorrow for its matinee and evening performances.

The Old Exchange and Provost Dungeon, Old Slave Mart Museum and Maritime Center will return to normal operations tomorrow.

The Stormwater Department began their formal damage assessment process today and will continue working to identify storm-related damage in the coming weeks.

To help with the city's assessments, residents are asked to continue to report damage online at www.charleston-sc.gov/report-damage or by calling the city's Citizen Services Desk at 843-724-7311.

Citizens are reminded that nearly all storm damage-related repairs require building permits, which also protect property owners by ensuring that work performed is up to code. For additional information on building permit guidelines and requirements, please visit: <https://www.charleston-sc.gov/856/Permit-Center>

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